UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Case No. 22-cv-21429-BLOOM/Otazo-Reyes

GERTI MUHO,
Movant,
v.
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON MOTION TO VACATE, SET ASSIDE, OR CORRECT SENTENCE, AND FOR NEW TRIAL, PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2255

THIS CAUSE is before the Court upon Movant Gerti Muho's Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence, and for New Trial, Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255, ECF No. [1], filed on June 3, 2022 ("Motion"). The Motion was previously referred to the Honorable Alicia M. Otazo-Reyes for a Report and Recommendations ("R&R") on all dispositive matters. *See* ECF No. [5]. On June 6, 2023, the Magistrate Judge issued a R&R recommending that the Motion be denied. ECF No. [43]. The R&R states that the Movant shall file any objections within fourteen days of the date of service of a copy of the R&R. *Id.* To date, Movant has filed no objections, nor has he sought additional time in which to do so.

Nevertheless, the Court has conducted a *de novo* review of the R&R and the record in this case, and is otherwise fully advised in the premises. *See Williams v. McNeil*, 557 F.3d 1287, 1291 (11th Cir. 2009) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)). Upon review, the Court finds the R&R to be well reasoned and correct. The Court therefore agrees with the analysis in the R&R and concludes that the Motion must be denied for the reasons set forth therein.

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of habeas corpus has no absolute entitlement to appeal; rather, in order to do so, they must obtain a certificate of appealability. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1); see also Harbison v. Bell, 556 U.S. 180,

A movant seeking to appeal a district court's final order denying his or her petition for writ

183 (2009). This Court should issue a certificate of appealability only if a movant makes "a

substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). Where, as

here, the district court has rejected a movant's constitutional claims on the merits, the movant must

demonstrate that reasonable jurists would find the district court's assessment of the constitutional

claims debatable or wrong. See Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000). However, when the

district court has rejected a claim on procedural grounds, the petitioner must show that "jurists of

reason would find it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a

constitutional right and that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the district court was

correct in its procedural ruling." Id. Movant has failed to make "a substantial showing of the denial

of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). Upon consideration of the record, the Court

concludes that no certificate of appealability shall issue.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED and ADJUDGED** as follows:

1. The R&R, **ECF No. [43]**, is **ADOPTED**;

2. The Motion, ECF No. [1], is DENIED;

3. A Certificate of Appealability is **DENIED**; and

4. The Clerk shall **CLOSE** this case.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida, on June 28, 2023.

BETH BLOOM

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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